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SOURCE:

1. The research and drilling section of the Ministry of Heavy Industry² headed by Lajos Tihanyi, is conducting drillings for oil in the area of Döbrököz and Kurd-Csibrák.
2. Géza Szartorisz, an engineer and geologist, is in charge of the project.
3. In the Döbrököz area 19 drillings have been made with three drilling machines, and in the Kurd-Csibrák area four machines conducted 31 drillings to depths between 200 and 800 meters.
4. During February 1953 northwest of Döbrököz gas was struck at a depth of 810 meters. This was taken as an indication that there must be oil farther down and further drillings were ordered.
5. Russian geologists have been conducting test drillings in the Totkomlós area since 1950. West of Totkomlós, north of the road to Makó, gas was struck in 1952. Near Mesko tanya and Török tanya oil and traces of gas were found. The experts believe that oil will be found in this area at a depth of 1,000 to 1,200 meters.

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1. The ultimate source of this report and dealing with the same subject, might be the same.
2. This ministry was created on 4 July 1953 out of the fusion of the Ministry of Mines and Electric Power and the Ministry of the Chemical Industry.

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